opponents of the U.S. quite understandably might have suspected that the *Liberty* was there to gather information which would be used not necessarily to restore peace as soon as possible, but rather to determine whether and when massive intervention might be needed to ensure victory for the favored side.

From the standpoint of the world organization, however, any outbreak of hostilities is *ipso facto* subversive of its main concern for world peace, and it can safely be entrusted with electronic eavesdropping equipment in order to fortify its peacemaking efforts with up-to-the-minute, detailed information.

The use of a ship by United Nations peacemaking personnel would have another advantage. Operating in international waters, it could not be ordered away by any nation, as the UNEF was ordered out of the Sinai Peninsula. There have been other troubled areas where a U.N. observation and information squadron would have been useful—for example, in the Straits of Malacca during the Sumatran revolt against Djakarta in 1958, and during the "confrontation" between Indonesia and Malaysia from 1963 to 1966.

The difficulties of communication which beleaguered the recent U.N. efforts for a Syrian-Israeli ceasefire point to the need for enlarging U.N. peace observation machinery and for providing it with modern and complete communications equipment. In the light of the *Liberty's* activities, a U.N. observation squadron operating on the high seas should be added.

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A New Pledge of Allegiance

To the Editor:

I agree with Grenville Clark's view (May issue) that shock treatment is necessary to prepare the world for world government. But I fervently hope that we may do without the "small" nuclear war Mr. Clark mentions. I believe that the shocks of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the experiences of Korea, Vietnam and the Middle East were enough to make the people of the world ready for world government. Perhaps we are closer than we think to accomplishing this dream for mankind.

In line with Mr. Clark's suggestions for individual action, the following pledge of allegiance or a similar one might be used on a world-wide basis to help crystallize sentiment for world government:

"I pledge to abjure war and to strive for peace, under a world order conceived in liberty and dedicated to promoting equal opportunity and plenty among all peoples."

MILTON LOWENTHAL
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rauh on McCarthy and the 'Peace Caucus'

Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., who in his article "For a Democratic Peace Plank" in the October issue argued against a "dump Johnson" movement, has now endorsed the candidacy of Senator McCarthy in opposition to President Johnson. This led to suggestions that Rauh, a former national chairman of Americans for Democratic Action, had changed his position, so War/Peace Report *asked him to comment.*

To the Editor:

You inquire whether I have changed my position against the "dump Johnson" idea. Without suggesting that consistency in so fluid an area as peace politics is much of a virtue, my answer is a categorical No.

Last July I proposed a "peace caucus" at the 1968 Democratic National Convention as the best focal point for political activity against the Johnson Vietnam policy in the absence of a Democratic challenger to the president's renomination. In defending this position before the A.D.A. national board in September against the minority "dump Johnson" viewpoint, I argued vehemently against the ugly negativeness of dump movements but said flatly that if either Kennedy or McCarthy or McGovern were to become an all-out candidate I would work *for* him (see *The New Republic*, October 7). Senator McCarthy has now declared his candidacy and it would be an act of craven repudiation to do anything less than tender wholehearted support.

In point of fact, Senator McCarthy has become the leader of the peace caucus for next year's Democratic Convention and indeed he has already referred to the importance of writing a genuine peace plank into the platform. In the peace caucus at Chicago there will be delegates pledged to Senator McCarthy from primary and state convention contests. But there will also be peace delegates in that caucus who prefer Senator Robert Kennedy and some who will be pledged to favorite sons or uncommitted, as well as some who for one reason or another stick to President Johnson as the candidate but oppose his Vietnam policy and want the Democratic Convention to force a change. Actually, there may be states where it will be easier to obtain uncommitted peace delegates than ones pledged to Senator McCarthy. Everything that can be done to get peace delegates to the convention strengthens the peace caucus and in turn strengthens its leader, Senator McCarthy. And if, as it now appears, President Johnson continues to escalate the war, there is every reason to believe the peace caucus will grow in numbers, stature and intensity.

It is exactly the numbers, stature and intensity of the peace delegates to the Democratic Convention that will determine both the candidate and platform in Chicago next year. Conventions develop dynamics of their own and sometimes even a single great speech (1896, yes; 1960, no) can change the course of history. But whatever happens in Chicago, Senator McCarthy's intervention has given the cause for peace at the 1968 Democratic Convention a new dimension of courage and integrity which, it is respectfully submitted, deserves the support of the ever-increasing number of Democrats inside and outside the administration who oppose the existing Vietnam policy.

JOSEPH L. RAUH, JR.
Washington, D.C.

What Is a Platform Worth?

To the Editor:

I disagree with Joseph L. Rauh, Jr.'s "For a Democratic Peace Plank," advocating renomination of President Johnson and a strong peace platform.

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